Royal Oak.

In your last copy I happened to notice a piece entitled, "Was it a Spirit?" and when I had read but a short way, I found it was inquiring about Jim Todd. I was surprised, but when I saw who the writer was, I considered where it came from.

I am glad to know Will is alive and able to write. If it is nonsense, it is also strange how his mind wanders back to Royal Oak. It is a wonder he did not ask the spirit if the old gentleman had got the barn door repaired, I don't think bull dogs and shot guns ever troubled me any more than the lady and the fiddle did Will. I am sorry the spirit did not answer his last question in regard to the girl on the corner, but I think Will knows more about her than all the spirits in San Francisco. As regards to the future I hope he will get on, as he was a great fellow to think of the Shilling when he was at home. If friend Will reads this, he will know that Jim Todd liveth.

On Monday the 9th, Thomas Dickson celebrated his 90th birthday by by making a party and inviting all his children. Between 30 and 40 guests were present. Mr. and Mrs. Dick soon received the congratulations of the entire company by the many elegant presents, among which it was noticed the following: Mrs. Thomas Thorpe, a elegant fur hat, one real lace collar worth $5; Mrs. Eliza Shepherd, 2 silver drinking goblets and one silver teapot; Thomas Thorpe, one elegant silver castor and one lamp; Mrs. Dinkbuil, two linen tablecloths; R. Drinkbail, silver cake basket and napkin rings; Wm. Dickson, one ten dollar bill; Mr. Wm. Dickson, one satin shirt; Mrs. Wm. Pallister, of Big Beaver, one elegant buffalo robe; T. Dickson, one valuable beaver over coat. The guests all returned to their homes about midnight wishing the happy couple many returns of the day.

A GUEST.

Pontiac.

Some of the young bloods were down to the beautiful village of Auburn Friday night in a buggy and——

The railroad company placed a little house at the Highland crossing last week. Thursday for the convenience of the watchman.

The Odd Fellows' ball last week Tuesday night was the best affair of the season.

Bobby Adams, of Detroit, was in town over Sunday.

Messrs Adams, Smith and Rabesler were present at the O. F. ball. The latter had the misfortune to get shot (well) on the right arm near the elbow, but the wound is not a serious one. Poor Arthur, we sympathize with you.

Lawyers Ten Eyck and Dunston have dissolved partnership.

The B. O. Y. S. held another of their series of hops Friday night.

Assad W. Orr, for a number of years station agent at the D. G. H. & M. R. R. depot in this city, has been promoted to traveling auditor.

George Linabury is now behind the counter in Whitesell & Co's hardware store in this city.

Arthur, son of C. B. Turner, of the Gazette, left last week for Denver, for the benefit of his health.

A pack peddler met our city clerk, Cass E. Herrington, and tried to sell him some goods, and for a curiosity, Cass asked the fellow if he had a license. The p. p. answered no, and Cass then told him to leave town as fast as his pedestrial extremities could carry him. He left.

M. K. Marsh, formerly of the Detroit National, has established a Greenback paper in this city called "The Industrial Journal."

Query—how much longer will that pile of bricks stand opposite the R. R. Exchange? Our city fathers should see that it is removed.

Martin Lowery's residence near the Presbyterian church was damaged by fire last week to the extent of $400.

A MASH.

RENEW YOUR LEASE.

There are times in every one's life when energy fails and a miserable feeling comes over them, mistaken for laziness. Danger lurks in these symptoms, as they arise from disease or gout. Parker's Ginger Tonic will restore perfect activity to the Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood and renew your lease of health and comfort.—Advocate.

SOCIETY BELLES.

On account of its remarkably delicate and lasting fragrance society belles are loud in their praises of Florston Cologne.

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Restores Color and Youthfulness to Gray Hair. Never Fails to Restore Gray or Faded Hair to its youthful Color. 50 cts. and $1 at druggists.

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Ginger, Buchu, Mandrake, Stillingia and Queen's Root, the best medicines known are combined into a medicine of such varied and effective powers, as to control the various diseases that afflict humanity.

Best Health and Strength Restorer Ever Used.

Hidden Dyspepsia, Rheumatism, Sleeplessness, Weakness of the Stomach, Bowels, Lungs, Liver, Kidneys, and all Female Complaints.

If you are wasting away with Consumption or Scrofula, use the Tonic by day. It will surely help you. Remember! it is far superior to Bitters, Sarsaparilla and other Tonics, as it builds up the system without stimulating, and it is sure, at all times and in all climates. None genuine without the signature of Hiram Ketchum on the outside wrapper. Price 50 cents and $1 per bottle. LARGE SAVING IN BUYING THE DOLLAR SIZE.

DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN, and MILWAUKEE RAILWAY.

OCTOBER 16th, 1881.

Until further notice trains will leave Birmingham as follows:

GOING EAST.

Night Express	7.46 a m
Steamboat Express	11.30 a m
Mail	4.40 p m
Evening Express	9.45 p m

GOING WEST.

Morning Express	8.20 a m
Mail	11.50 a m
Grand Rapids Express	6.45 p m
Night Express	11.59 p m

W. J. MORIAN, Gen'l Sup't.
P. P. CLINCHPORT, Managing Director.
THOMAS TANDY, General Frt'g & Pass'r Agt.

Mortgage Sale.

Whereas default has been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage, made and executed by Daniel R. Chatfield, of the township of Highland, County of Oakland, state of Michigan, the party of the first part, to Edward F. Chatfield, of the township of Troy, in said County, bearing date 12th day of December 1868, and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, in and for said County of Oakland, on the 12th day of December 1868, in Liber 344 of Mortgages, on page 396, which said Mortgage was duly assigned by the said Edward F. Chatfield, to Silas B. Watkins, on the 3rd day of October 1872, and duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 28th day of October 1872, in Liber 61 of Mortgages, on page 508, and which said mortgage, by default, has been assigned by the said Silas B. Watkins to Ira Jones, of the township of Pontiac, in said County, bearing date the 26th day of January 1877, and duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 29th day of January 1877, which said assignment was duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 3rd day of February 1877, in Liber 77 of Mortgages, on page 96, and which said mortgage was executed by the said Daniel R. Chatfield, to Silas B. Watkins, on the 2nd day of October 1872, and duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 28th day of October 1872, in Liber 61 of Mortgages, on page 508, and which said mortgage, by default, has been assigned by the said Silas B. Watkins to Ira Jones, of the township of Pontiac, in said County, bearing date the 26th day of January 1877, which said assignment was duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 29th day of January 1877, in Liber 77 of Mortgages, on page 96, and which said mortgage was executed by the said Daniel R. Chatfield, to Silas B. Watkins, on the 2nd day of October 1872, and duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 28th day of October 1872, in Liber 61 of Mortgages, on page 508, and which said mortgage, by default, has been assigned by the said Silas B. Watkins to Ira Jones, of the township of Pontiac, in said County, bearing date the 26th day of January 1877, which said assignment was duly recorded in the office of the said Register of Deeds, on the 29th day of January 1877, in Liber 77 of Mortgages, on page 96, and which said mortgage was executed by the said Daniel R. Chatfield, of the township of Highland, County of Oakland, state of Michigan, the party of the first part, to Edward F. Chatfield, of the township of Troy, in said County, bearing date 12th day of December 1868, and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, in and for said County of Oakland, on the 12th day of December 1868, in Liber 344 of Mortgages, on page 396, which said Mortgage was duly assigned by the said Edward F. Chatfield, to Silas B. Watkins, on the 3r